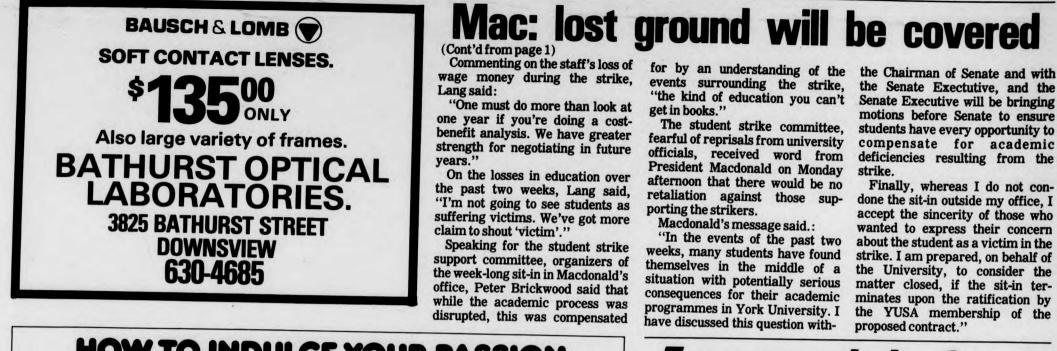
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### Forest can't be found



This wing to the old Don Jail is as close as Excalibur editor Kim Llewellyn could get to Jeffrey Forest this weekend.

(Cont'd from page 1) On November 18, 1977 fighting broke out in Central Square at the York Student Movement literature table. Forest was one of three members of the YSM arrested.

President Ian MacDonald temporarily suspended Forest from the university following the incident and, upon the recommendation of John Becker, assistant to the vice-president for employee and student relations, he

was issued an official reprimand. In June the assault charges were dismissed against Forest because of lack of evidence.

When asked if Forest's most recent arrest would affect his standing at the university Margaret Knittl, Dean of Atkinson, said "I haven't heard what he has to say for himself. I would be premature to come to a decision without speaking to him.

## **Enrollment drops in Canada**

OTTAWA (CUP) - Enrollment at Canadian universities is down for the second consecutive year and the National Union of Students (NUS) is blaming higher tuition and student unemployment for the drop.

The number of university students declined to 372,330 this vear from 373,590 in 1977-78. Enrollment at Canadian universities was 376,560 in 1976-77.

Governments should not base enrollment projections just on the number of 18-24 year-olds, she said, pointing to an increasing number of people from higher age brackets both attending a postsecondary institution for the first time and returning to further their education.

Despite the decrease in the number of students, the number of st-secondary teachers increased slightly this year over last. According to Statistics Canada, their number increased 0.1%, from 52,035 last year to 52,110 in 1978-79.

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Enrollment at community colleges and technical institutes is also down slightly, from 243,520 last year to 243,410 this year.

Together, they represent a 0.2% drop in the number of postsecondary students.

While provincial ministries of education maintain the decline is caused by a decrease in the number of 18-24 year-olds, Statistics Canada projections show that that age group is expected to increase in numbers in 1982.

"The enrollment drop that has been projected is happening much msooner than predicted", said NUS executive secretary Pat Gibson.

It isn't the post-war baby boom generation "growing up" but rising tuition, inadequate student aid, and the outrageous level of student and overall youth enemployment that have created the situation where many people cannot afford to go back to school, she said.

Gibson said the situation could be alleviated "by simply making education more accessible. Removing the financial barriers is an obvious initial step that the government should take."

Come and join our Meeting today at 2 pm Room 111, **Central Square** 

#### Correction

David Chodikoff, president of the central student council, has pointed out a misleading impression in last week's front page article, Cassidy and Sweeney speak on the picket lines.

The article stated that Cassidy and Sweeney had "refused" to cross the picket lines to speak at a CYSF forum. Actually, CYSF invited the two politicians to speak on the picket line.